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LB 949

Mr. President, 949 was a bill introduced by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. (Read title). It was read on January 10 of this year, was referred to Miscellaneous Subjects. It was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, a little while ago we passed out some information on the committee amendments and also on the bill, and on some other amendments. First I'd like to explain the committee amendments. The present Bingo and Pickle Card Regulatory Commission is converted into a Bingo and Lottery Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee is to advise the tax commissioner in the execution of the Bingo and Lottery Control Act and the regulations established under it. The committee consists of eight members from the bingo, lottery, raffle and pickle card, and the distributor industries. The present commission members serve on the committee for one year. The Department of Revenue and the tax commissioner are given the authority to carry out the Bingo and Lottery Control Act. The provisions, regulating lotteries in the bill, are clearly identified as nonprofit organization operated lotteries where appropriate. The conditional prizes may be offered at bingo occasions if the conditions are clearly posted. Any organization licensed to conduct a lottery by the sale of the pickle cards must provide the distributor with evidence that such organization holds a valid license. Distributor and their employees are prohibited from participation in any lottery by the sale of pickle cards, and the last part is that there are several technical provisions and these are contained in the amendments. Mr. Chairman, I move for the adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR CLARK: We have an amendment to the committee amendments.

CLERK: Senator Hefner, I have several amendments to the committee amendments. The first one I have is from you,